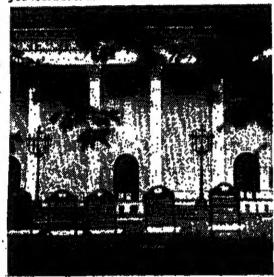


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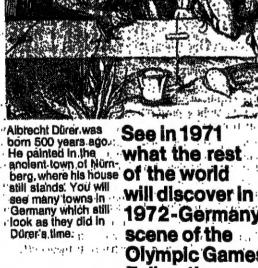
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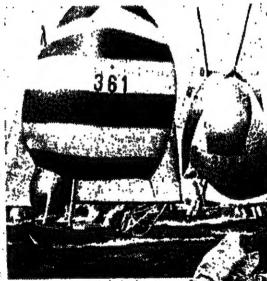


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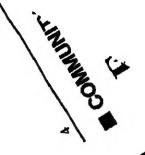
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Giant Europe speaks with too timid a voice

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Aster and further-reaching changes are taking place in world affairs at preat than at any time over the past tenty years yet the key European coitals seem only gradually to be waking

Viewed from Washington Europe's wandid separatism gives rise to a growing faling of unease. The Continent would appear to consider the two blocs and their alliances to be permanent features of the international landscape, a little troubled by the usual disputes but unlkely to undergo fundamental changes. It requires little temerity to forecast that Europe will soon be in for an impleasant surprise. In Washington and at the United Nations strongly changing currents in world affairs are growing more pparent with each day that pusses.

The blocs may not be breaking up but by are having to wave goodbye to a subser of their mainstays and new powers are also bringing about changes in

Few gifts of prophecy are needed to buse ties between the strangest of idellows in the relatively near future, haybe even between, say China and Israel a Japan and the Soviet Union, let alone that will probably be a steady increase in

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direct political influence.

hesident Nixon's policy towards Asia the UN General Assembly vote on have perceptibly boosted Japanese years no major country has borne security conference due now that the

witness to as much vital, creative power

means the direct outcome of Mr Nixon's spectacular decisions and travels, though the so-called Nixon Doctrine may well have accelerated them or been the finger on the trigger.

President Nixon and his closest foreign policy adviser may have a preference for balance of power theories rather than a belief in the motive force of alliances. This approach is doubtless a combination of the mentality of a personal success story from California and the viewpoint of a professor of political science from Bavaria and Boston who remains conversant with nineteenth-century outlooks.

But even if a new President and a new administration were to be elected next year (and at the moment the possibility would appear to be a doubtful starter the new outlook would retain a powerfu

At present no American administration can afford to ignore domestic trends in formulating foreign policy. The shock of Vietnam has lodged deep in the mind of the average American, affecting even the outlook of the conservative Mid-West.

There have been a good many changes in the last two or three years. For decades the average American has felt foreign affairs to be the preserve of a few well-pakl specialists and no immediate concern of the man in the street.

So far this century wars have been a regrettable necessity. Justified intervention has been followed by short, swift and successful campaigns.

Now the American public is beset by tormenting doubts as to whether it should undertake any commitments whatsoever elsewhere in the world and if

What is more, in the conduct of US

hanges in the political structure of Europe in the balance between the

United States and the Soviet Union may

well proceed at an even faster rate next

Then came the conference of EEC

Foreign Minsters in Rome and consulta-

tions with the Foreign Ministers of the

These, then, were the first steps on the

road to fundamental decisions that West-

The Rome conference has proved that

the Ten mean action on a rearrangement

of European relations. In Rome Western

Foreign Ministers met for the first time to

of the Common Market.

four would-be new members.

The changing face of Europe

Ostpolitik and the Hague summit de- not to call it into question with the aid of

clarified.

cisions on intensification and enlargement vague all-European Utopias.



President visits Development Aid Foundation

President Gustav Heinemann was entertained by the West German Foundation for Development Aid in Mannheim during his official visit to the Federal state of Baden-Württemberg on 8 November 1971. The President discussed training problems with two instructors from West Africa.

domestic affairs there has for generations past been a conviction that the state, and the Federal government in particular, ought to "govern" as little as possible.

in the course of a turbulent process of education America has now learnt that local authorities, the states and the Federal government badly need money, legal authority and political power if they are to cope with even the most pressing domestic problems.

All three are needed as never before and to an extent unforeseen by American school civies textbooks at any stage of the proceedings.

All in all a great and deeply disturbed nation is on its way not to a new phase of splendid isolation but to a more intensive concern for its own problems.

People in the New World are more

partners in the European Economic Com-

munity were determined to press ahead

with Western European integration and

Many details of integration and im-

provement in East-West relations in

Europe remain to be discussed and

Reactionaries in the Christian De-

mocratic and Christian Social Unions

(CDU/CSU) and elsewhere must, how-

ever, now gradually come to a decision as

to whether to miss the boat altogether or abandon their resistance to necessary

The frustrated Europe of de Gaulle, Adensuer and Khrushchev is now past

history once and for all. The Continent is

concerned with the crisis in assessment of their own role than with anything else and foreign policy is affected accordingly.

The aim is to be involved as little as possible in international crises so as to gain greater leeway for the United States.

Spectacular instances can be adduced. There are the withdrawal from Vietnam and all South-East Asia, the fighting measures undertaken against the world's other major free currencies, the snubs of close allies such as Formosa, Japan and Canada and the fantastic rejection of the entire foreign aid programme.

These all bear withness to a painful progress towards a reassessment of America's role in world affairs. As things are Washington will no longer be regarding itself as the hub of the Euro-American world as against the Euro-Asian bloc but merely as one factor among three, four or

This reshuffle among the world powers would not be so bad if only Europe were not still politically balkanised. There is a fantastic contrast between the immense economic power of the present Six and forthcoming ten members of the Com-mon Market and their political disunion.

The productive forces of the enlarged EEC outstrip those of the United States in nearly every respect, not to mention the Soviet Union. Yet politically the ten behave like ambitious, argumentative children.

The consequences as far as this country are concerned are that now Osmolitik has run its course, as it were, and found a niche in world affairs more attention must be paid to European integration.

It would, for instance, be as well to reassure the Americans that forthcoming economic and monetary policy decisions are not barbs aimed at the United States. For the foreseeable future the economic and military might of the United States will remain an indispensable prerequisite of the security of us all.

No one wants to disband Nato: it must Continued on page 2

(Frankfurter Rundschau, 8 November 1971)

GDR welcomes moves for

detente in Europe

FOREIGN AFFAIRS

Marshal Tito joins Nixon's hand of trump cards

Not many visiting Western heads of state can claim to have encountered the atmosphere of warm and relaxed friendship in the White House that characterised Marshal Tito's visit to Washing-

Richard Nixon, who laid the groundwork for his rise to political power with the aid of militant anti-Communism welcomed Tito, a Communist, as one of the major statesmen of the age.

Tito's independent stance on the other side of the ideological central reservation separating blocs that are no longer quite so monolithic is virtually the perfect example by which Mr Nixon can demonstrate the efficacy of his graduated commitment in an increasingly subtle struggle for power with the Soviet Union.

This is the level at which his own pragmatic approach equals that of the Special store was set by this common

ground in the joint communique, in which Yugoslavia's non-alignment was hailed as a significant factor in the

Respect for the independence and full

Eastern Bloc countries come to terms with EEC

Relations between the Eastern Bloc munity (EEC) still vary between ideological Utopia and a pragmatic approach. The original ideological assessment has admittedly given way to a more objective approach in Eastern Europe than in Moscow itself.

Alongside rejection on the EEC as a matter of political principle, the Common Market having exercised so lasting a detrimental effect on Soviet hegemonial ambitions in Europe, attempts have been made to come to trade terms sufficient to avert disadvantages for the respective

Understandably enough non-aligned Yugoslavia has gone furthest in its endeavours to inaugurate practical cooperation. Poland too has taken pains to establish certain trade contacts with the EEC. There are specific reasons why Rumania cannot be emphasised in this

As a result of the Soviet Union's virtual independence of world trade the problem is a minor one as far as Moscow is concerned. For the Kremlin European integration has always been first and foremost a political issue.

This is why Moscow has consistently tried to stymie any expansion of the Common Market to include, say, a country of such eminent political importance as Britain, Support has been lent to regional trends within the EEC and all-European alternatives have been pro-

As long ago as 1957, the year in which the Treaty of Rome was signed, Khrushchev came forward with proposals for an oircumstances the Federal Republic can all-European economic agreement and an only terminate this state of affairs by international trade conference.

All-European economic cooperation, to which particular importance is attached in the context of the proposed European security conference, is of course directed against European integration along Common Market lines.

Now that Westminster has decided in favour of joining the Common Market.' though. Moscow has drawn a blank with this manoeuvre.

(Frankfurter Rundschau, 2 November 1971)



the similarity of or differences between their respective social systems is rated the basis of stability and peace.

The reference to the respect due among countries with similar systems could hardly be more pointed or unambiguous.

Rejection of the Brezhnev Doctrine, which under the pretence of defending Socialism lays a Soviet claim to the right to intervene in Eastern Europe to put paid to deviationist tendencies, was brief but to the point.

On American television Tito may have declared that Mr Brezhnev had assured him during his visit to Belgrade in September that the so-called Brezhnev Doctrine no longer existed but the Yugoslav leader would not appear to

set great store by assurances of this kind.
It was fairly obvious that as far as he was concerned the joint declaration rejecting the Brezhnev Doctrine was the most Important aspect of his visit to Washing-

Bearing in mind the importance of the military in Yugoslavia long-overdue modernisation of tank units and the air force must be among Marshal Tito's dearest wishes.

A consideration that seemed to be reflected in his every comment in Washington was that the two great powers must on no account come to an agreement on European security without consulting and paying due regard to the wishes of the smaller countries concern-

President Nixon replied to the effect that Yugoslavia has an "indispensable" part to play in the preparations for a possible security conference.

But as far as the Americans are concorned the convening of a conference depends on so many requirements that are unlikely to be met that viewed from Washington It is a more distant prospect than from the viewpoints of nearly all

with the Asian giant. As the fifth per-

manent member of the Security Council

Peking is, by the terms of the UN Charter, no longer merely a regional

power. In future China will enjoy all the

This is particularly important for this

former enemy state and in the prevailing

means of appropriate bilateral treaties

What is more, as a result of the

German agreements Bonn will one day

have to advocate simultaneous UN ad-

mission for both this country and the

far based its approach on the assumption

two Germanistates.

with the Allies.

Unlike the Soviet Union, Marshal Tito does not consider the most important aim of the conference to be the ejection of American forces from Europe. This ought to be yet another reason for Mr Nixon to turn an attentive ear to the arms wishes voiced by Yugoslav military men in

Washington for some time now.

Marshal Tito utilised his visit to the United States to commit Mr Brezhnev in public to a number of statements evidentmade in private to mollify his Yugo-

This applies not only to the dublous revocation of the Brezhney Doctrine. The Yugoslavian President appeared to be taking the Soviet leader at his word in disclosing to the American press that Mr Brezhnev had assured him that following solution of the Middle East conflict Moscow would withdraw all troops from Egypt and the Arab countries.

Tito had yet another card up his sleeve. He informed the Nixon administration on behalf of President Sadat of Egypt that Cairo would, in the event of an interim agreement to reopen the Suez Canal, be satisfied with an Israeli withdrawal to the middle of the Sinai Peninsula. The Egyptian government, that is, no longer insists that Israel withdraw to the pre-1967 frontiers.

Marshal Tito has no great hopes of a settlement being reached, though, and is not in the least interested in mediating in the Middle East, a thankless task as America has already learnt at first hand.

Giant Europe

not be allowed to disintegrate either. In

the long run, however, declarations of loyalty and promises of money and good

In view of developments in world

Italian matter. Europe must increasingly

At times this will be a painful business

for the United States, as Washington well

knows. Yet US foreign policy remains

firmly in favour of European integration.

There is no alternative and time is short.

assumption that China can play but a minor role in the Federal Republic

current Ostpolitik since all agreements

Relations with China have also suffered

Bonn must devote fresh thought to

relations with Peking. Assuming that one

day, as a result of agreements with

Moscow, Bonn's Ostpolitik culminates in

an application for admission to the UN.

might well not be without effect on this

It would be interesting to know

soundings on China with the tacit approv-

Washington for talks with Dr Kissinger

(Silddeutsche Zeitung, 6 November 1971)

Hans Helgert

will are not enough.

speak with one voice.

After China's admission to the UN

Bonn must reappraise China policy

Bonn too must reappraise its relations' sion to the United Nations to rejection of

rights accruing to a world power by virtue that are in the offing need to be reached of membership of the Security Council. with the Soviet Union.

country because, again by the terms of from contacts established while Ludwig

broken off.

the UN Charter, Germany still ranks as a Erhard was Chancellor but subsequently

Moscow Treaty and ancillary inter- the rift between Moscow and Peking

GDR, the Federal government having so whether Senator Grabert's stopover in

that there is only one German nation but prior to his Asian tour involved unofficial

On all these points China will in future al of Bonn. (Der Tagesspiegel, 30 October 1971)

With Yugoslavis, Rumania and Peking, Mr Nixon now holds three trump cards in his hand when it comes to a play-off Heinz Barth (Die Weit, 2 November 1971)

Viewed in this light the Senate's & Berlin opens the door

Yet it was the isolationists who me | which for central offices of the Euroaffairs the North Atlantic pact is no longer a German, French, British or

The rift will probably be mended with the aid of members of the Senate who realise what is at stake, but the vote is question was not solely an emotional response and this is the longer-term problem.

of foreign aid reform rolling. Reform ow that Communist China has been admitted to the United Nations what is more, that owes its own admishave long been demanded by critics; the have now become inevitable. (Der Tagesspiegel, 2 November 1 the two-state theory.
So far Bonn has worked on the

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Repercussions of INTER GERMAN RELATIONS U.S. Senate's aid cut

The repeal of US foreign aid to the tune of 2,900 million dollars was the result of a chance majority in the Schall and its effect will be alleviated by virts of the fact that projects in progress and humanitarian measures are not affected

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At present the Senate Foreign Affair

At present the Senate Foreign Affair Committee is busy negotiating with the White House to salvage as much of the government programme as can still be salvaged.

Even so much of what in the course of the 25 years that have elapsed since the end of the war has come to be regarded a self-evident gift from rich Uncle Samb his poorer and not-so-poor relations in the works.

The interests of the German Demolikely to fall by the wayside.

It is worth remembering at this point in regard to Berlin diverge on certain how starkly the ingratitude of the point cipients has often contrasted with the capture of the aid given. generosity of the aid given.

There are developing countries that allow their financial requirements to be well accounts Brezhnev's first visit to revolutionary phraseology to be suppled in leader not in high spirits.

by the East.

Here and there, one is bound to add military aid is abused by reactionary feudal cliques to bolster outmoded case for the most powerful men in the world, in a doubt that the European Security

American dissatisfaction with its on generosity increased with the gravity of the US monetary crisis and peaked in a cmotional short-circuit when the UN General Assembly years on Chicago and the test of the control o General Assembly vote on China results in an outright defeat for Washington and delegates jumped for joy at Uncle Sant discomfiture regardless of the fact that their countries for the most to entice their countries for the most part regularly

cision is not merely the work of isab tionists whose interference with the inuests of America's allies in the find analysis exercise a detrimental effect at the interests of Washington itself.

Coverning Mayor of Berlin Klaus the interests of Washington itself. the interests of Washington itself.

the butt of President Nixon's criticist of Community dealing with monowhen he talked in terms of the irresposs when he talked in terms of the interpretable bility of a Senate decision that might his regular radio talk on 31 October

jeopardise US national security.

Mr Nixon's "doctrine" of substituting economic and military aid for direct commitments now hangs in the balance, larger in the substituting authorities within the Common larger.

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to Europe

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Mather Cipal Angeiner

intra-German talks.

Europe. They can no longer claim that they feel themselves seriously threatened by their neighbours to the West and so they have fallen rather uncomfortably between two stools conference-wise. As far as they are concerned events are dragging along too slowly or rushing past and leaving them standing.

States run by dogmatists often get into difficulties when the political landscape cing difficulties on the home front it is harder for them to adjust themselves to a

rapidly changing outside world.

Domestic difficulties in the GDR are

them to take their feet off the brake pedal and show greater flexibility at

pared to take this document, which calls for "as speedy a conclusion as possible" of the negotiations, as a real incentive to

changes. If these dogmatists are experien-

extremely ticklish although they take a different form from what is normally assumed. The GDR is braking intra-German negotiations, and those with the Berlin senate in particular, but not be-cause it is worried that there will be a sudden influx of tourists with which it could not cope.

ministration under Erich Honecker that it has for the first; time taken account of the

As far as can be judged, Brezhnev was not on an easy footing in East Berlin, But from the communiqué issued afterwards it seems quite clear that the GDR leadership agrees, at least on paper, with the demands made by Comrade Brezhnev.

Time will tell whether they are preactive negotiating.

The GDR too is interested in detente in

The GDR fears visitors from West Berlin who talk too much. Leaders in Germany consider developments there have reached a critical phase. For they made the protracted mistake of thinking that all would be well as long as they kept the old propaganda machine churning out the correct awareness of the state of the country. Late, all too late, they realised that a human being's main concern is to be able to live like a human

It is to the credit of the new ad-

reasonable conclusions from their wishes. Gradually measures are being taken to create a degree of prosperity which could give the leadership a greater feeling of popular solidarity to back it up. With an increase in the availability of consumer

goods, better old-age provision and the introduction of limited private building schemes this popular support could be The risky process of reducing ideology and increasing rations just sufficiently to prevent a second "Prague Spring" arising in the GDR has just begun. But the government still screens the people from

true feelings of the people and drawn

ntellectual influences from the West. Its slogan could be: a bounty of bananas, a bit of Böll and a ban on Brandt! But East Germans are bound to ask their visitors from the West what this Willy Brandt fellow is all about. They may even try to obtain reading matter on the Peace Prize winner, and then they will start thinking. The GDR regime would not want that, now!

Brezhnev, we may assume, has taken this concern of his East German comrades to heart. They are important to him as the western boundary of the Communist empire and stability must be maintained

But the Soviet Union's own interests weigh more heavily. Thus the GDR leadership is faced with two difficult tasks - it must come to terms with a speeding up of intra-German discussions and it must at the same time raise the general standard of living in the GDR.

(Kölner Stadt-Anzeiger, 4 November 1971)

The push to the West

welve thousand seven hundred and L thirty eight citizens of the German Democratic Republic came to the Federal Republic in the first nine months of this year. Of these 4,391 were registered as refugees. But only 631 came the hard way, over walls, across minefields and through barbed wire.

The remainder took a roundabout route via other countries or seized the opportunity of making an official visit to the Federal Republic into a permanent

These figures were announced in the Bundestag recently by Minister of the Interior Hans Dietrich Genscher.

Of the 8,347 not registered as refugees almost all are old people in need of care and attention, the majority women, and most already beyond retirement age.

(Frankfurter Aligemeine Zeitung für Deutschland, 4 November 1971)

Good tidings for Honecker

are said by sources in Moscow to been at the centre of the talks Leonid Brezhnev and Erich

I these talks it is said that the Soviet Friedrich Reinecke Verlag GmbH, 23 School ler a speedy conclusion of East-West a negotiations was expressed.

The Soviet Communist party leader Apetedly prolonged his visit to the apptal by four-and-a-half hours. On return to Moscow he was received by entire politbureau, including Prime enter Alexel Kosygin.

bervers judge from the recently is communique that Erich Honecker into great detail about the latest reached in the negotiations between State Secretaries Egon Bahr for the and Michael Kohl for the East.

the GDR representatives seem to have enment has been trying to win aniages in excess of those granted by

the Four-Power umbrells agreement on possible is seen as coming at the instiga-matters such as traffic between the tion of the Soviet Union in the main. At

Honecker, for his part, has been concerned with getting covering fire from Moscow on a number of important principles about which agreement has not yet been reached.

The wording of the communique where it mentions "that the Soviet Union has guaranteed its support for the actual position of the CDR and the favourable development of this position" is seen by observers as an indication that Honecker has had at least partial success in bolstering up his position.

On the other hand the pressing desire expressed by both sides for the negotiations to be concluded as quickly as

Federal Republic and West Berlin. They the Paris talks between Georges Pompiconsider that Bonn's spokesmen have dou and Brezhney it was stated clearly Berlin agreement would be treated as a prerequisite for arousing all-round enthusiasm in a security conference.

> The positive role to be played by France in these moves towards detente, mentioned in the communique, and the stress on the general revaluation of the GDR in the eyes of the world are taken as confirmation of the supposition that Brezhnev brought Honecker good tidings likely". from Paris.

Observers in Eastern Europe now predict that the Bonn-East Berlin dialogue should be wrapped up by the middle of December. Heinz Lathe

(Kieler Nachrichten, 3 November 1971)

Moscow keeps Rainer Barzel under close scrutiny

Since Rainer Barzel became the Chairman of the Christian Democratic Union and the likely CDU candidate for the Chancellorship, he has been subject to great scrutiny from watchful eyes in Moscow.

Moscow still regards Barzel as something of a sphinx. His speech in the Bundestag recently when the budget for next year was debated was closely watched, but the Soviets still found it difficult to come to any real conclusion.

"The Opposition is manoeuvering," was their interpretation of Barzel's offer to the government that despite all the material differences of opinion between the two major parties animosity should not be pushed too far and intolerance and enmity should be avoided.

Pravda added that "parliamentary to-ing and fro-ing is nothing new in Barzel's book". His latest offer is on the one hand an attempt to cut down the government's bargaining power and on the other hand the expression of growing uncertainty in the CDU, uncertainty that has grown following the election results in Bremen and which harks back to "the recognition among wide sections of the public that attacks made by Franz Josef Strauss and others of his ilk against Ostpolitik are with foundation".

Another symptom of this growing right-wing uncertainty in Moscow eyes is the fact that the Director of the Bureau for Political Education in Schleswig-Holstein, Herr Hessenauer (CDU) has come out along with a minority of the CDU in favour of the Treaty of Moscow.

Now with Moscow dragging into the limelight names such as these that were hardly known before, it seems likely that the Russians have high hopes from the CDU side for approval of the Moscow and Warsaw Treaties.

With the recent activities of the Soviet Union in mind, it seems clear that when Rainer Barzel goes to Moscow he will be asked quite openly about his attitude to the Moscow Treaty and the procedure regarding its ratification.

In this light the Opposition leader is only expected to give a guarantee that the CDU vote on the Treaties will be a matter of conscience and there will not even be a suspicion that the parliamentary party has brought any pressure to bear.

If this is the case there will be a majority in favour of ratification, the Russians suppose. Nobody in Moscow at present is making any direct link between the implementation of the Berlin agreement and ratification of the East Bloc

But it could well be that the Soviet Union will request the Western powers to make the date of the implementation of the agreement or the definitive signing of it, coincide with the first and second reading of the treaties in the Bundestag. Diplomatic circles in Moscow would

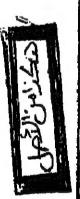
seem to remember a historical parallel

cation - a certain procedure in the German Reichsrat before the First World "An accredited diplomat in Moscow remembers that at that time when the Reichsrat was due to approve an important treaty the south German prime

minister cabled his representative in Ber-

lin: "Vote against if approval seems The situation today in the CDU is probably similar. Soviet observers who were recently in this country were filled with cautious optimism even though hard. words were being exchanged on the West German domestic political scene.

(Kieler Nachrichten, 25 October 1971)



III COMMUNITY RELATIONS

Foreign workers band together to voice their grievances

M ore than two million foreign work-ers currently live in the Federal Republic. Though they help to increase the gross national product they are classified only as a productive factor or labour force and they are only useful if they do not demand too much from the society in which they live.

They normally live together in crowded accommodation with inadequate toilets and washing facilities. They share in West German affluence - as can be seen from the rents they can afford to pay.

They enjoy full civil rights unless these are reserved for Germans alone under Basic Law, the Federal Republic's con-

Liberty, equality and fraternity exist only when they are among themselves or we are among ourselves. But there are differences between them and us.

Let us limit ourselves to these general statements that can always be refuted. Even Christian Democrat Alderman Walena of Wiesloch, a wine-producing town in North Baden, admitted to Mayor Heinz Bettinger, a Social Democrat, "Many of the foreign workers' complaints are justified. I believe that the town should be obliged to help as far as it can," But as even justified complaints have

Pensions legislation almost identical with Minister's proposals...

The new Pensions Reform Law differs in only one point from the Five Point Programme put forward by Labour Minister Walter Arendt - women with a foster child or an adopted child will not be able to claim what has become known

as the "baby year".

The Bill now passed by the Cabinet reads, "Mothers eligible for pensions benefit will from 1973 onwards be credited with an additional year of benefit for every child born alive." This is irrespective of whether or not the mother worked during this year.

The Ministry of Labour told the Frank-furter Rundschau that there were legal complications in granting an additional year of insurance to adoptive or foster mothers. In cases of this type both the actual and the foster mother would be entitled to the baby year.

It was also found that babies were often taken care of by the father during the first twelve months — this occurs in cases where the mother was continuing her studies.

The claim for a baby year would then go over to the father and as cases of this type will probably increase in future the money originally intended as a reward for bringing up the child has become more of a bonus for mothers bringing a live child into the world,

voluntary retirement age, Labour Minister Arendt stated that this did not mean that the current rigid 65-years limit was being sufficient opportunity to voice their brought forward. Every person had the interests to the public at large. right to decide at 63 whether he wanted to retire or work for a longer period.

In future all non-working housewives, the self-employed and dependents who have a job will be able to join the pensions insurance scheme on a voluntary basis. .

Pensions can be split so that in the event of a divorce the pension rights on 9 October. The average turn-out of accumulated during marriage can be thirty per cent was lower than expected. divided between man and wife.

. Ingeborg Jahn

Rankfyrler Rundschau

their limits, the Christian Democrat Alderman was not altogether happy when he read in the local press that foreign workers in Wiesloch and the neighbouring town of Walldorf planned to set up their own parliament.

As a lawyer, Herr Walena stated that an institution of this type could be of only private character. Its powers could not go beyond the field of social welfare, he added. But he also saw worse things on the horizon; "I see the danger of a body of this type adopting illegal political

But the first foreign workers' parliament in the Federal Republic has however been set up. Pressmen from both national and foreign newspapers travelled to Wiesloch (eight miles from Heidelberg) on 16 October to attend the inaugural

Othon Lyrakis, a Greek, after being spokesman of the five-man executive by the 35 parliamentarians seven Spaniards, seven Greeks, seven Turks and seven Italians, stated that public relations is the body's main task.

Public relations is important as the West Germans know too little about the foreign workers and vice versa. The word parliament is derived from parlare, to speak, and the foreign workers would like to enter into dialogue with the local population. The parliament has no legislative powers. The word was chosen to show that the foreign workers had legally

The idea for a foreign workers' parliament arose during a dispute. Shortly before Easter the largest industrial concern in Wiesloch planned drastic increases In the rents for the rooms it let to foreign

Local Young Socialists claimed that the price per square yard being charged equalled that of luxury flats in the much larger town of Heidelberg and advised the foreign workers to do something about it. A compromise was reached after a short stoppage - the rents were increased

though not so drastically. Bruno Piómbo, an Italian, wanted to go a stage further. Spontaneous strikes could remove the most inimediate grievances, he said, but the basic problem of the underprivileged foreign worker still remained. Foreign workers should have

their own representatives. Joint committees of West Germans and foreign workers discussed what form this could take. Things progressed. The for-eign workers accepted the proposals put forward by their colleagues and appoint

ed candidates for a parliament. A five-language manifesto was issued for the election campaign: Foreign worimproved West German living standards, it was stated, but they did not have

Not enough attention was paid to their problems, the manifesto added, and foreign workers had the same right to demand that their problems be considered as West German workers.

About 1,200 of the 2,100 foreign workers entitled to vote went to the polls

But Young Socialists Gert Welsskirchen and Armin Becker claimed that they were (Frankfurter Rundschau, 22 October 1971) satisfied. They say they know the reason

why so many of the foreign workers failed to vote — after initial cooperation the strong Italian Communist Party had pulled out of the scheme.

The West German Communists also pulled out, presumably because the organisers of the election wanted to avoid arguments dealing with party politics.

That is also the reason why only names appeared on the ballot papers and no groups or organisations. "We want the support of all parties as long as it is constructive," Othon Lyrakis states.

Fears of coming into conflict with the aliens laws gave rise to caution. The outcome of the election reflected the position of foreign workers in this coun-

The turn-out was highest in places where foreign workers were most isolated - in hostels. The election could not be held everywhere in the two towns. The concern that originally sparked off the idea of a parliament - however unintentionally - banned any voting from taking place in its hostels.

Instead polling took place in a bus outside the hostel and a turn-out of seventy per cent was recorded. Mistrust came from other quarters too. The police and intelligence service were also interested in what was going on in

Wiesloch and Walldorf. The Wiesloch police sent one of their officers, a Social Democrat, to the Young Socialists to obtain a copy of the list of

The police chief himself came when this request was refused. He then realised that the list could get into the wrong hands and reached an understanding with the Young Socialists.

The defenders of the constitution chose to go through official channels, Young Socialist Gert Weisskirchen states. They asked Mayor Bettinger for information.

There was also an atmosphere of mistriist amongst West German workers. Herta Krichbaum, an SPD candidate in the local elections, was told at a meeting during her campaign that the foreigners had a good time of it,

Because of their contract terms they were not affected by redundancies resulting from the deteriorating economic situation, local workers added.

Horst Jaeckel, the SPD candidate for Wiesloch and one of the promoters of the scheme, stated that there could be no question of international solidarity. He

believes that having truck with the foreign was 's parliament will los

"We do not want to cause any discrimination with this scheme," Othon Lynki, states. Charity alone was not enough Mayor Bettinger, the parties represented on the local council and the Churche have promised their full support. The Trades Union Confederation is maintain ing a sceptical reserve however.

The Social Democrats on the los council plan to take the necessary sign for the two bodies to cooperate. The Young Socialists intend to submit a motion to the next local party congres calling for a foreign workers' parliamen at Federal state level.

The parliament must now get down to work. Committees are being formed for educational and housing problems. These will be run parallel to the local county own committees.

Unions object to cuts in TV programmes for foreign workers

The Metalworkers Union has protess L against plans by broadcasting station in this country to cut the number of transmissions for foreign workers.

The union stated that in view of the

It went on to describe these forest language transmissions as an indispensive part of the work of the public broades

(Die Welt, 29 October 1979)

cancelling their residence permit because of the difficulties they have in speaking

The parliament is not intended to have any powers to solve problems arising of the factory floor. Gert Weisskirchen and Horst Jackel state, "The workers county ell, the management and trade unions at alone responsible for labour issues so far as this is compatible with laws governing

lieves that when people know more and each other they will be more likely overcome prejudice and understand of Ekkehard Heling another.

(Frankfurter Rundschau, 30 October 1916

Free kindergartens proposed



Federal state of North Rhine-Westphalia will be able to send their children to a kindergarten free of charge under the terms of proposed legislation.

The Provincial Assembly Committee for Youth, Family and Political Education has decided that kindergarten fees will be cut every two years up to 1981.

The new law states that local authorities will be responsible for kindergattens. They will be expected to pay 25 per cent of the costs of building and equipping their kindergartens. The Youth Bureau will pay snother 25 per cent and the Federal state will contribute the remaining fifty per cent.

Priority will now be given by the Federal state to building kindengstess catering for children from an une privileged background.

Local authorities and parents will an she while the Federal state and the Bureau will each contribute a sixth appointing new men. the Federal state and Youth Bureau at the publication of another magazine pay more as the parents' contribution is likelying in investment is still on the gradually scaled down.

The new Bill proposes the establish ment of a number of parent-leads periodical or a supplement for committees at kindergartens so that rents can have some say in what the children are two some say in what th children are taught.

The opening hours of a kinder will be fixed by the local Youth Burklafter discussions with the local authority and a parent-teacher committee.

(Kölner Stadt-Anzelger, 22 October 1

PUBLISHING

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Augstein aims for readership of management executives



Qudolf Augstein, the publisher of the Lingely left-wing Spiegel, is now stling his hopes on West Germany's managing executives with their largely thi-wing views. He calculates that they will help his

Manager Magazine, first appearing in The communal parliament will del Kwember, to attain a leading position in with the problems of foreign worker. The expanding field of economic journals. Contact with the authorities will prevent To avoid the impression that an ecocases where foreign workers go to collect somic version of the Spiegel is being a tax rebate but end up instead by muched, publishing director Hans Detlef Ecker has done everything possible to underline the new monthly magazine's

> "Manager Magazine will be reporting bjectively, concisely and without any bumalistic exaggeration," he stated. There will be no sensationalism."

The new team will not be housed in the blegel skyscraper in Hamburg city centre -it is not the responsibility of any of the weekly's editors — but in two old villas ant far from the Aussenalster.

Manager Magazine is not Augstein's bainchild alone. His partner, the Ameri-The union stated that in view of the social position of the foreign worker their programmes should be extended and the organisation had a turnover of tome 1,200 million Marks last year. One of its products is Business Week.

The Americans hold 49 per cent of the thates in the specially set-up Management and Marketing Company Limited while & Spiegel publishing concern owns the aher 51 per cent.

But the birth of the new magazine has to been without its difficulties. Dr Heinz teicher, head of BP's economic policy partment, was appointed editor-in-chief of the new team but, to everyone's aprise, failed to turn up at any of the entres of this country's advertising in-

Klaus Recht, formerly with Capital apped in to explain the idea behind The parliament is in the position of the parliament is in the parl

The original idea was to discuss items willy linked with a manager's work. centre of gravity has now been suched to the more indirect field of Michological and legal problems.

Guner + Jahr, another Hamburg pubshing company, has a 25 per cent share spiegel and is also defending the shing role it has built up for itself in the of economic journals with Capital. Thin the space of a few years the apply Capital has achieved a circulation for 160,000.

has to exclude the careers section the magazine and set up a new hiodical devoted to this subject have the shelved by Gruner + Jahr's market economy is forcing many firms to

wing board. Gruner + Jahr cannot edde whether it should be an indepen-

te Shareholder) for 3.5 million Marks 1970 two years after it was first set up Hans Achim Bernecker, the Disseldorf the drop in share prices and the

resultant hesitancy to invest in the stock market coupled with the basic mistake of trying to expand the specialist news sheet into a popular investment magazine led to the firm running up a debt of millions of Marks on the project swifty.

By the time Gruner + Jahr decided to

sell the periodical this summer to Gerd Bucerius, a partner in the firm as well as publisher of Die Zeit, five million Marks had been wasted. Bucerius took over Der Aktionär to

incorporate it into his own economic periodical, Wirtschaftswoche, the successor to the famous Volkswirt. Wirtschaftswoche has taken over the

computer section and a number of economic features from Aktionar and is using its name as a subtitle. Three-quarters of the twenty thousand

Aktionär subscribers are now taking the Wirtschaftswoche, exceeding the new publisher's most optimistic hopes, and between the third quarter of 1970 and the same period this year the new periodical has managed to increase its sales almost one hundred per cent to 16,500.

Hamburg's Heinrich Bauer Verlag also wanted to acquire Bernecker's Aktionär to add a good-selling economic journal to its popular illustrated weeklies Neue Revue, Praline, Quick, TV, Sexy and Das Neue Blatt. But though Bauer thought he had

become the owner of the periodical after signing a contract with a firm of financiers in Licchtenstein he finally had to admit defeat in a legal battle against Gruner + Jahr.

Axel Springer also seemed to have ambitious plans in the restive specialist market when at the beginning of this year he took over Dialog, a publication considered to be the mouthpiece of the Christian Democrat's Economic Council.

Forecasters claimed that Springer, who also publishes Bild and Welt, wanted to turn the pro-CDU periodical into an anti-Spiegel publication.

But the new magazine produced by Heinz Pentzlin, a member of the controlling board at Springer's, has little that is new apart from a new lay-out bearing the unmistakable handwriting of Herr Hagen, the concern's illustrated magazine man.

A total of 140,000 copies of Dialog are inted for every issue and are sent direct to the sections of the community for whom they are intended. The periodical costs nothing as the total expenditure is covered by advertising revenue.

Most of the readers of Industriemagazine, published by the Munich Moderne Industrie Verlag, receive their copies free like the readers of Dialog. Each issue of the Munich publication has a circulation of about thirty thousand.

Though there has been a spread of interest in economic matters here in recent years, the number of economic journals sold in the Federal Republic is still modest compared with other coun-

The leading West German economic daily, the Düsseldorf-based Handelsblatt, sells only 55,000 copies. The Financial Times on the other hand sells 170,000 copies a day and the Wall Street Journal sales of around 1.3 million.

There had already been foreign interest the West German market before McGraw-Hill launched their new periodical. Last November the Vision publishing company of New York teamed up with Réalité of Paris, one of the Hachette group, to produce the first European conomic magazine.

The magazine Vision is printed in German, French, English and Italian, appears monthly and currently sells approximately 100,000 copies.

The McGraw-Hill bosses prefer to adopt ilfferent tactics in their project. They are looking for a strong partner in every country in which they are interested and take 49 per cent of the shares of the

The Americans set up the economic magazine L'Expansion in the autumn of 1967 together with Servan-Schreiber's Express group. With a circulation total-ling 140,000 it is already the largest periodical of its kind in France.

At the beginning of 1969 they launched the specialist management periodical Le Management followed a little later by a weekly information service La Lettre de

McGraw-Hill set up International Management in Britain, Espansione in Italy together with Mondadori (circulation now reachers fifty thousand) and Nikkel Business in Japan where sales total eighty

The Americans hope initially sell sixty thousand copies of Manager Magazine

Quadripartite cooperation

ropean news and events. The four are The Times of London, Le Monde, Paris, La Stampa, Turin and Die Welt Hamburg.

The cooperative venture will begin on 23 February with a joint supplement published in the language of the four countries in question.

The theme of this will be "Europe 1975", an attempt to foresee the prob-

Four European daily newspapers have lems facing Europe in the future beyond the boundaries of the individual coun-

This first supplement will contain contributions from all four newspapers and pleces by important writers in France, Britain, Italy and the Federal Republic. It

will be edited by the staff of Le Monde. Thereafter the four newspapers will each in turn discuss other such themes of general interest in similar manner. (Die Welt, 15 October 1971)

the Spiegel co-production, to selected managing executives. Later they reckon that eighty thousand managers will be prepared to spend sixty Marks on the annual subscription.

The Spiegel and Business Week files have been combed to find 700,000 potential buyers. But only eight thousand people had ordered the new magazine up to a couple of weeks ago. Twenty thousand had asked to see a sample the

situation experts doubt whether the new comers will be able to show a profit before the Americans' obligation to provide a subsidy ends in two years time.

Plus, the managerial periodical produced by *Handelsbitt* with a total circulation of 12,500, thought out a clever scheme to divert attention from its new

It announced a competition for managers which did not require them to leave their desks. The periodical was swamped by replies - 4,700 managers wanted to Hans Otto Eglau (Die Zeit, 29 October 1971)

New biology magazine

Chemie Verlag, Weinheim an der Berg-strasse, has published the first issue of a periodical entitled *Biologie in unserer* Zeit (Biology in our age) aimed at telling the public something about modern blo-

Professor Peter Sitte and Dr Heinz Falk Freiburg University are responsible for

Every issue of the periodical will contain specially-written articles by wellknown scientists, short reports on current cis and descriptions experiments that can easily be conducted in schools.

Subjects range from genetics and mo-lecular biology to behavioural research, from applied ecology to the theory of evolution and from theoretical medicine to the latest operational methods.

The periodical will contain a large number of colour photographs and appear every two months. The price for a year's subscription is 24 Marks. Sample issues can be obtained from the publishers or via the book trade.

. (Stuttgarter Zeltung, 5 October 1971)





MODERN DANCE

Rhythmic education invades new fields

In October 1969 the Rhythmic Edu-cation Association held an international seminar dealing with rhythmic education at Remscheid Academy under the direction of the organisation's head.

The seminar was an experiment. The rhythmists wanted to come out of their isolation though they did not yet know their destination.

The third session this year showed that the Remscheid seminar had become an institution within the space of two years. Though over three hundred people had applied for the course only 215 could be accommodated in the Remscheid Aca- seminar. demy. These included forty people from

Appeal too has spread. Whereas only music teachers and rhythmic training instructors used to come to Remscheid this year's course was attended by gymnastics students and teachers from every type of school.

The growing interest in the Remscheid seminar is due to its varied programme. Rhythmics is no longer restricted to music teaching. Since 1969 it has spread to new forms of movement, especially many styles of dancing.

Rhythmics or dance, the alternative posed in 1969, has now become rhythmics and physical training and dance.

Mannheim films go East

Mannheim's International Filmweek has been invited by the central administration of the Goethe Institute to present a selection of the films that were awarded prizes in Mannheim at Goethe Institutes in the Far East.

During a trip through Asia between 3 November and 3 December this year the organisational manager and the press officer of the Mannheim Filmweek Hanns Maier and Klaus Hofmann, will show a selection of films from Mannheim in eight cities mainly in India and Japan and delineate trends in the development of the documentary film.

"Mannheim film evenings" are planned for the Goethe Institutes in New Dehli, Bombay, Calcutta, Bangkok, Hong Kong, Osaka, Kyoto and Tokyo. Kleier Nachrichten, 20 October 1971)



This year's course also placed its main emphasis on dancing.

process of consolidation has now followed on from the period of expansion. The newly-won knowledge must now be worked into shape. Methods are now being sought to communicate the new information. That is why the educational aspect was in the limelight at this years'

The crisis facing ballet teaching has been much discussed and lamented in recent years. Ballet teachers have no special courses for them and therefore rarely have any experience in the field of education. It is the children who suffer as they are trained to a point of over-

An experienced educationalist of the standing of Kurt Peters, the editor of a periodical called Das Tanzarchiv, rightly complains of the technical hysteria that has invaded ballet. Technique and fitness is in greater demand that the ability to express oneself artistically.

This year's week-long Remscheid seminar reflected the current state of ballet training. Though basically against the wishes of the organisers, good, well-intentioned and bad dancing lesson methods were demonstrated.

Maja Lex, the head of the rhythmic movement-and-modern -artistic dance section at Cologne's Sports University, deserves the highest praise.

In the thirties she was the last great representative of the Free German Dance style. Unlike choreography bringing forth a specific message, the style she developed along with her instructress Dorotheo Gunther had a clear and objective technique that has been developed further over the past twenty years. Despite its rigidity and clarity her system has not been dogmatic and is always subject to

Dancer and choreographer Fred Traguth lectured on modern jazz dance. Unfortunately he is not such a good teacher as he is a choreographer.

Traguth is capable and hard-working and is a master of the various technique

and modes of expression in his branch. But as a teacher he has no system and no final aim. Like a traditional ballet instructor, he only provides his pupils with the finished product.

At one of the evening lectures he said, rightly, that the modern jazz dance was a synthesis of modern dance, classical ballet and Afro-American dancing.

But in his course he showed no more than an incoherent mixture of the varlous elements. A number of films he had brought slong from the Göttingen Film Institute illustrated the purely African origins of the black jazz dance in the United States.

But he could presumably have shown a film about Martha Graham, the creative force behind modern choreography, and thus have given his pupils some idea, however late, of the essence and techniques of modern dance.

The east and south-east European dances now so popular with the young, and rightly so, were danced with enthusiasm as early as 1969 and 1970. People from Scandinavia who attended these courses are now helping them to spread northwards.

This year Karl Lorenz invited the Belgrade dancer and choreographer Branko Marković to Remscheld along with his accordion accompaniment, R. Blans.
Of course, specific rhythmics also had

to be represented. Martina Jacobi, a professor at Freiburg Conservatory, showed the fascinating and vital possibilities still inherent in traditional rhythmics, the unity of music and movement. Timbres. intervals and harmonies, as well as hythms, always force a specific form of novement

There is only ever one solution that is correct. This was illustrated by a comparison of six-eight and three-four time mprovised on a piano.

Six-eight time demands a swaying. hovering movement while waltz-time requires stronger emphasis on the first beat. There was not such a long way from here to the Yugoslav dances with their exciting

Hannelore Krause of Hanover is the expert on rhythmic education in kindergartens and elementary schools. Her imaination in inventing new rhythmic games is inexhaustible.

What she picks up is changed into a toy whether it is a balloon, a bean-sack or a Japanese paper ball. These dead materials come to life in the children's hands.

The youngsters playing with them are forced to become active and even creative. This educational method involving the active use of already existing op-portunities can only be described as Helmut Günther

(Frankfurter Aligemeine Zeitung für Deutschland, 21 October 1971)

The symposium was organised by the International Research Association for Children's Literature (set up last year), Frankfurt University's department of children's book research and the West

Research into children's books in the dorf of Hamburg and Kiel Universities on

child book research

"Children's Literature as a Research Project".

and its purpose re-examined. The inclusion of the media of children's literature played and important role.

Dahrendorf has long pressed for notice to be taken of research into consumer ties could crop up when literature is thought to have greater value than other forms of communication,

He states that the fatal pessimism

motivations.

and has a role in it....

loped from the very outset. Receptiveness - not merely understanding and accepting, but criticising and comparing what is read to one's own environment - should be fostered by all children's books.

Anti-authoritarian children's books interpretation.

The debate revealed one thing at least anti-authoritarian literature needs to be studied carefully and with as much objectivity as possible. Linguists, psychologists, sociologists and members of other disciplines not represented at the symposium would certainly be helpful.

(Frankfurter Rundschau, 28 October 1971)

aesthetic law of reception based on the idea that literature is rooted in society

Amateur filmmakers have little ambition

A mateur filmmakers, someone said at the Third International Amateur

prises, it was stated.

Most of them shoot films feature their families or a recent holiday. The make pornographic films starring be wives (or husbands) for home to sumption. They record their instance. sumption. They record their innermed memories on celluloid. In short, the films are no more than home-make the solution of the films are no more than home-make the films are not th

for the family. The films shown is dam.

As if it were intentional, however, the Marburg were those produced by the

As much as the existence of the committed amateur film was praised, the jury's verdicts indicated that the world the smateur filmmaker should be so Sorz by way of apology and expressed served despite the fact that it is falling into

That is the only explanation of why the Gold Medal for the best documents was awarded to the Austrian film Rider

cences awakened at a horse auction. The cences awakened at a horse auction. It been handed to him praises the "care-dreams are those of past fame and foes" aker and knowledgeable editor of the

Rider's Dreams is technically builded and consists of fifteen-second sequences that could form advertising spots for Coca Cola, Peter Stuyyesant, masaline prowess, freshness, liqueur chocolais a bras (or even all together).

The programme states that the film wil excite even the non-riders among the cinema-goers, so beautiful, so colouis and so irrelevant is the film.

Tattoo on the other hand wants force the cinema-goer to think, The self-satisfied leisure-time galety of our capitalist-run picture-book idyll is contrasted with the starvation and genocke that can be found in a different part of the world but nevertheless at the

People the other side of the world being burnt to death by napalm with affluent citizens here sip the longdish of their choice. The film rams this hom to its audience.

Because of minor imperfections, in jusy thought itself justified in with holding a gold, silver or bronze mand. The jusy obviously places greater where technical perfection than a film's post of expression. That was not even disputed

political commitment is wanted. Mode the audiences were members of and film clubs who wanted to improve the technique and swop films.

Films aimed at any particular section of

Films aimed at any particular section of the public are rare and few anastes filmmakers dare to exhibit their film before a large sudience.

It is hard to compete with televised south one of many means of expression and working grants to writers. In qualify for the award, the writer as just one of many means of expression and the film working on literary work in the stricter show their products in their own family of the word and he must have show their products in their own family or club the same as many people reck white firm.

The grants awarded for the first time

LITERATURE

Academy awards Büchner Prize to Uwe Johnson

Film Festival in Marburg, are people who indulge their hobby for the sheer love of it.

Little else was said about their place it the film world. Amateur filmmakers is pecial thing about the meeting of the particle Akademie für Sprache und pehtung (German Academy of Language industry and de Literature). Since he was allowed to underground cinema industry and the and Literature). Since he was allowed to do not intend to fight commercial enter the German Democratic Republic

selv he never got round to saying any-But the films shown at the loter thing. This was not an intentional snub of national Festival were nothing to do with such holiday films made by the family lelarich Merck Prize for literary criti-

small minority who want to get a message | hesident of the Academy | small minority who want to get a message | Suz, almost — unintentionally — read hisldent of the Academy, Professor at the wrong dedication, the text that as meant to accompany the Büchner

"This must be an omen," said Herr m opinion that was shared by many taking part in the meeting.

It would have been to the Academy's andit to present this years's Georg Dreams while another Austrian film, the experimental work Tattoo, received to this honour in reserve until the poet, more than a mention that it was about average.

Rider's Dreams is a series of remains the citation of the honour that has

syszine Sinn und Form which has for ran under his guidance and responsibility mide progress without ever losing sight of laditions."

Ernst Klett runs

utigart publisher Ernst Klett was elected the new Chairman of the West German book trade association, the Binenverein, recently in Frankfurt, Herr takes over from Werner E. Stichthe, who in recent years has steered the with the Frankfurt Book Fair.

bely-knit organisation into a realistic withted representative of the profes-

Enst Klett's publishing house is one of major publishers of schoolbooks in Federal Republic. He intends to run organisation with much assistance experts from publishing houses and

be worked out in study groups Insed by the Börsenperein. (Die Welt, 19 October 1971)

NRW awards grants to writers

l thousand Marks a month. (Die Welt, 15 October 1971)

Röhier Stadt Angelger The Academy awarded the Sigmund

Freud Prize to the Brunswick-born poet and essayist Werner Kraft who has been living for decades in Jerusalem as "a lover of words, one who listens and perceives with great accuracy and sharpens up our senses of language and poetry and has thus opened up to us in a new and more subtle way the works of major authors".

Herr Kraft gave an insight into the artistry of his prose and into the depths of his thoughts when he took up the theme of the meeting "biography and autobiography".

Although Peter Huchel did not receive the Büchner Prize this year it cannot be claimed that the prize went to someone unworthy of it. It went to Uwe Johnson, who, on the night before the presentation gave a public reading from the recently published second volume of his trilogy Jahrestage (under the Suhrkamp imprint)

Anyone who still had doubts about whether Johnson could be long-winded enough to portray again the artistic details of his character Gesine Cresspahl, who is well-known from earlier works, had these doubts dispelled.

Although Uwe Johnson may not call this "art" as it is "only a way of finding the truth" the style and composition are proof positive that the trilogy (always assuming, as we must, that the final volume will keep to the same high standards) is an incomparable document, an art work of this epoch.

Like the author, Gesine, the heroine of his novel settles in New York after living in divided Germany. (Johnson was there between 1966 and 1968). She tried to become master of the fate of Germany today and in the past by looking at it from this great distance. This is all as clever as it is breathtaking.

The light thrown on the many interwoven figures can no longer be called tendentious. We have only to remember the controversy with Hermann Kesten about the Berlin Wall a decade ago.

The expression "finding the truth" is self-evident. Thus Uwe Johnson's narrative skill is brilliant and deep, despite the fact that it is not easily digestible. One

mistakeable humour is in contrast to the "turnults of awareness" of others.

Baumgart considers it conceivable that Johnson's "external desire for objectivity" (more information than opinion) and his "selfless, puritanical realism" would also have been found in Georg Büchner if Büchner had been granted forty years of life.

should not shy away from speaking of it as

a masterpiece.
Reinhard Baumgart praised the award

winner in an unorthodox manner as an "outsider" whose "calmness" and un-

"Unlucky the country that requires nonchalance," said Baumgart, but added in conclusion to his laudatio, "lucky the country that requires no more prizes and no more celebrations." Since such a country is far from existing the Deutsche Akademie is to be congratulated on this prizegiving and this "celebration". As is usual at the award of this prize Uwe Johnson was allowed to speak himself.

Darmstadt has never heard such an unconventional speech from a Büchner Prize winner.

"The author", the award winner said "owes the prizegivers a sum of money."

The way he then with Socratic humour converted the 10,000-Mark value of the Prize into dollars, hellers and Pfennigs, including contemporary problems in his speech as he went along was a master-

Others who spoke on the theme of "Biography and autobiography" were Richard Friedenthal ("Goethe" and "Luther") and Peter de Mendelssohn ("Churchill" and "S. Fischer").

Friedenthal drew on his knowledge of Goethe to show how every writer has the need to hand down to future generations a legend surrounding himself, (Did Goe-the really indulge in a little corruption to try to make the Sesenheim episode look a little more rosy for himself?

Peter de Mendelssohn is at present engaged on a Thomas Mann biography and he set about throwing some light on what was practicably "do-able", giving details, and alluding to the example of the biography of Churchill to show what hurdles have to be overcome in order to make a life story out of the materials that are at our disposal.

In the following discussions Geno Hartlaub asked whether today's matter-of-fact young people could really still be interested in autobiographies.

The interest in documentation and collage had led to a mistrust of fiction, he

. Furthermore today many fifty year-olds would paint themselves as the victims of contemporary lustory, which would not allow them to arrive at self-realisation à la Goethe.

(Kölner Stadt-Anzeiger, 25 October 1971)



Margarete Buber-Neumann (Photo: Seewald Verlag)

A vignette of a

brave woman

The thing that immediately impresses one about her is her temperament, a kind of internal dynamism, drawing all who come into contact with her immediately into the magnetic field of her strong personality.

She has been through a lot of bad times in her life, but not one of the slings and arrows has been able to overcome her. "All things that have failed to break me have made me stronger" is the slogan that fits no one better than Margarete Buber-Neumanni.

Fortunately it has also been possible for her to record in literature all the misfortunes that have struck her. As a result we possess a number of books from her pen which contiain an impressive and important picture of contemporary history and above all the report Als Gefangene bel Stalin und Hitler (As a

prisoner of Stalin and Hitler). Margarete Buber-Neumann reports of years in the concentration camps at Karaganda and Ravensbrück and provides a document of the great treachery of the Stalinists in inconsiderately delivering up

to Hitler German émigrés. We can also thank her testimony for evidence of the events in the German emigration from Moscow which casts a shadow over several politicians in East and West who are today highly in-

No historian who has treated the history of Comintern can afford to ignore what Frau Buber-Neumann has to say.

She has seen not only politicians but also men of letters, theatrical figures and other celebrities in their weakest hours. She knows all the exaltations and

degradations of the soul. Her epitaphs to the courageous Carola Neher and Kafka's friend Milena are among the most gripping that German resistance literature has ever produced. When Margarete Buber-Neumann's

latest book Kriegsschauplätze der Welt-revolution appeared three years ago the reaction of many of those who had stood by her in the past was bitter. Without compunction the book under lined the Soviet policy of domination as a major power which is now as ever virulent and which many considered unfitting for the political climate which was even then

building up towards the new Ostpolitik.
Once again Margarete Buber-Neumann
came to feel repression by those in positions of power. A critical television film about Max Hölz was turned into a hymn of praise to the former Saxon Anarche-Communist belind her back and her protests had no effect. Several doors were closed in her face.

Nothing daunted she still attacks in her writings all she finds wrong and dangerous, with as much temperament

(Die Welt, 24 October 1971)

iterature for the young was largely lignored by researchers in the past but is now gradually becoming an integral part of both teaching and research in

universities in this country and abroad. This fact was confirmed by reports on the current state of research and theory from Austria, Britain, Czechoslovakia, Denmark, the German Democratic Republic, Hungary, Norway, Poland, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, the USSR, the United States, Yugoslavia and the

Federal Republic. Children's literature was the central theme of an international symposium recently held in the West German Booksellers School in Seckbach.

German Unesco commission. Federal Republic naturally took a central position in a speech by Professor Dahren-

International symposium welcomes

Dahrendorf stated that the relationship between socialisation and literary communication demanded an end to the socially discriminating process under which only trivial literature or consumer liferature has an affirmative and appearing

literature though he does see that difficul-

expressed in various cultural theories could be tempered by the adaptability of

He proposes the creation of a new sesthetic law for children's books, an

Educational methods must be deve-

were also another popular subject of discussion. Opinions varied wildly though this was partly due to the difficulties of

Brigitte Nottebohm

in the ensuing discussion.

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blishing policy decisions will in fu-

their poems.

Klaus Walter

CFrankfurter Rundschau, 27 October 1971

A line grants, awarded for the first time october, can bring a writer as much



Garman Anademy of Language and Literature award winners: writers Werner Kraft (left), and dynamism as ever. Peter Huchel and Uwe Johnson -(Photo: Roman Größer)

B EDUCATION

Musical training should be fostered from as early an age as possible

Beat music screamed from the green-house where ten senior schoolchildren were supposed to be trans-planting flowers. Though the gardener had told them the differences again and again they still confused the flowers with the similar-looking weeds growing there, They are simply unable to concentrate.

"I always switch on the radio in the morning when I get up," the boy owning the transistor states. Asked what they used the money earned here for, two boys and three girls replied that they too would like portable radios. Two boys are saving for a moped and another girl wants

All agree that they need music as a relaxation. "I require music as a refuge when I'm feeling sad." "Music helps me unwind." 'Music forms people and makes the world worth living in.

Most of them believe that they cannot live without music. But they do not think much of music lessons at school. They find the teaching bad and claim that only those pupils who have private musical tuition outside school time understand what is taught during music classes at

Forty per cent of school children in the Federal Republic play a musical instrument however. The most common in order of popularity are recorders, pianos, guitars, string instruments, ac-cordions and woodwind and brass instru-

What chances are there of learning or borrowing an instrument outside ofParents know that their children will,

can children practise without annoying

neighbours?
There are some three hundred music schools for young people in the Federal Republic at present and the number is continually increasing. About two thirds of all music pupils are given their basic training at these schools.

Four-year-olds are given a chance of early musical training. During a two-year course the children have a two-hour lesson a week conceived as a type of pre-school education.

The test results are excellent as far as both admission and instrumental training are concerned. It is not surprising that 114 children applied to attend this autumn's course at a school in Hanover though only half that number could be

Early musical training is a project in practically unexplored territory. The aim is not to discover and encourage young musical geniuses even though It is a fact that genuine musical talents should be

fostered from as early an age as possible. Instead the children are taught to develop the qualities, abilities and behavioural forms necessary for all learning and play - fitting into a group, concentrution, observation and persistence.

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not be made to keep still and occupied as at a traditional kindergarten. They know that the children will have their bodies, hearing, sensitivity and receptiveness trained through play. The children will be taught to see their place in the environment and, perhaps the most important aspect, will learn how to behave correctly

within a group.

The wealth of information sent to parents about the course and the homework shows them that their children will have mastered more than the basic musical knowledge at the end of the two

Laughter and gaiety is prevalent during the second lesson for a group of fouryear-olds at a youth music school in lanover. The class is sitting expectantly at a keyboard, a cross between a piano and a set of chimes with a lid something like a schooldesk inside which is a scale where the children can provide the notes by means of red felt pins. Each child has a crayon, a notebook, a textbook, a rattle, a small glockenspiel and a hammer.

The children first learn to draw a circle. Most of them draw it clockwise as they have learnt in the past instead of doing it anti-clockwise which is far more natural and much less effort.

The teacher now gives the class skip-ping-ropes. The children make them into a well on the floor and sit inside the circle with eyes closed pretending to be frogs. Only one of the children is allowed to creep about the room. Only when this child stands still can the others open their

After this game the children pretend to be other animals that could be found around a well. Apart from the frogs that jump across the room, there are snakes that writhe on the floor and snails that creep along at a steady rhytmle pace.

Small hands creeping across the table become snails and fingers are applied to the temples to form their horns. These must be pulled in immediately at the slightest contact with a foreign body.

The children have to wave their hammers in the air, first with their right hand and then with the left, in time with the snail song. Accompanied by the glocken-

Plans for Richard Wagner Foundation well under way

The Richard Wagner Foundation designed to guarantee the continuation of the Wagner Festivals in Bayreuth, will

probably be set up in May next year.
Haus Walter Wild, Burgomaster of Bayreuth, stated at a meeting of the town council, at which approval of the project was expressed, that there would shortly be a conference of participants in the Foundation - the Bonn government, the Federal state of Bavaria and the city of Bayreuth - at which details of the founding would be discussed.

The sum to be presented to the Wagner family to float the new foundation is unofficially estimated at between ten and twenty million Marks.

The next Bayreuth Festival will mark the hundredth anniversary of the laying of the foundation stone at the Opera House. The funds from the new foundation will be used to keep the Festspiel-haus, the Villa Wahnfried, the Wagner Archives and the library together as one

After the new foundation is started Wolfgang Wagner will still be the manager of the Festival. (Die Welt, 21 October 1971)

spiel, the teacher sings out the names of the children and the children have to

They then make shells from smi pieces of string and paint them in the books. Rarely do the children on the glockenspiel get out of step. A word the suffices to turn them back into we

hehaved little snakes, snails or frogs.

Instrumental training and individuatuition follow this early stage in the music schools. After reaching the apps priate standard, the children are good exercises preparing them for orchestal work or chamber music.

Entry into the next stage depends a an examination of the pupil's standard As with the switch from this, the intermediate stage to the senior classes, by ests are meant to show what much knowledge a child has and how this best be guided.

In both the intermediate and sain stages there are an increasing number of supplementary subjects that the children can take in order to obtain a mee broadly based musical education.

This broad musical knowledge the ordinary schools cannot teach is oned the features that makes music schools attractive. What is more importantishe a series of grants and subsidies allow children of poorer parents to be taught these schools.

Teaching takes place in the school own rooms and in the rooms of north schools and recreation and youth conta. The number of such branches in Lost Saxony alone has doubted since 1968, showing just how great a demand their Many of these music schools and

ready taking as many children as theyou cope with. In future assistance from the local authorities and a suitable com bution from the Federal states walk necessary. Many people in public life in now echoing this demand of the Max Schools Association,

Germany (still) has the reputation being a country of music. Musicians in all over the world come here to study, to complete their studies or even town in the music field.

It we are to live up to this reputation the musical professions must be med more attractive to the young, as it

youth music schools aim to do. Conversations with pupils show that the schools have been successful. wanted to study chemistry or classical languages," a thirteen-year-old gil wib all-round talents reported. "After for years private tuition I then came to in music school where I became really enthusiastic about music. Now, two years later, I have decided to study the sib

"I have entered myself for a mis-competition," another thirteen-years reports, "I enjoy playing the pisms s much as playing tennis at the local che. Sport and music are my two mis

If they reach the required standard, the children will be able to go on to a conservatory one day. But teachers at these schools stress that the main who of

to music has to be learnt.

"I can't imagine my life without music," one sixteen-year-old girl states. would like to find a tune for all my states of mind, happy or sad. But I want to be able to play them myself. That is will worked on my parents until they said could go to music school. I think they are glad they did as my other schoolwork has improved as well. My parents thought my other studies would suffer but my edit important national dailies in West Germany.

(Die Welt, 23 October 1971)

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THE ECONOMY

Currency crisis is like a chess game



Rederal Chancellor Willy Brandt is prepared to accept French President Georges Pompidou's offer of talks about the currency crisis and this could be the point of departure for new developments.

Perhaps this will show the way to get the currency cart out of the mire where it has become bogged down, even though the Franco-German differences of opinion on the currency question are not the core of the international currency crisis.

However, it is possible that the great international currency chess game, where parities are the moves, will liven up if the Federal Republic and France dare to make the opening gambit. The United States might then make a few construc-

What is certain is that it is now the turn of the politicians. Economics experts have done all in their power to find the solution to the currency crisis.

Recently at the meeting of working group III (WG 3) of the Organisation for Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD) and at the conference of representatives of ministers and presidents of banks of issue in the ten most important industrial nations the experts identified the problems, studied them from all sides and passed them on to their ministers.

They did not even succeed in reaching agreement on the statistical bases and the aims of their currency policy moves, let alone on the weapons they would need to on their side. When the Europeans and

o further discussion is necessary about the state of economic de-

velopments at present in the Federal

Republic — they are definitely on a downward slope. The only question is

how far downhill we shall slide this time

and how long we shall be down in the

about 335,000.

seems harmless.

about 100,000. According to

out of work (540,000 in 1967).

more meetings of this kind they would be no nearer the solution.

The politicans involved in economics and finance must now find new data before the economics experts can get to work again. Ministers and even government leaders must cure the paralysis that has gripped the currency policy quadri-lateral of Washington, Tokyo, Bonn and Paris and prevented each of the big four from making the first move. What is the situation?

The U.S. government has forced the hand of the Europeans and Japanese, that is to say it has made them revalue their currencies. Washington was of the opinion that it had done its bit when it took the dollar off the gold standard and threw up a customs barrier around its shores.

The Japanese who had been in an economic clinch with the United States for some time had to float the yen in the face of a wave of speculation, but at the outset they kept the rate of revaluation low by means of currency exchange

Bonn and Paris had different ideas about the methods to be employed in the transition phase up until the conclusion of new fixed parities. Professor Schiller continued to swear by temporarily floating exchange rates, while M. Valéry Giscard d'Estaing split the currency exchange market down the middle and kept the old parity to the dollar for trading with the trade-franc.

Thus the French negotiated for themsolves a trading advantage over their partners in Europe and they were most reluctant to give this up.

The Americans believed that time was fight the crisis. Even if they held twenty the Japanese had been whipped enough

by the special import surcharge, Secretary of State for the Treasury John Connally seemed to assume, they would get rid of the trade barriers which were disruptive and would revalue their currencies firstly by means of floating and later with new

Thereby the American balance of payments deficit should be transformed into a surplus, slowly but surely.

But the Europeans and Japanese did not act as expected - with the exception of the Federal Republic which depends more on an untroubled relationship with the United States, its protective country, than these others.

No one has been happy about this transition period and only Paris is rejoicing at having a trade advantage over its fellows. All are taking their time. The EEC is waiting for the Group of Ten and vice versa, with the result that nothing is getting done. Thus new initiatives are

At the summit conference Willy Brandt is as unlikely to side with the French as they are to take our part. But this meeting could at least sound out what ground is held in common.

The formula which allows adversaries to lose has been available in Europe since August: it is known as faut pivots. France has so far stubbornly resisted any moves to have the trading franc revalued by means of a change of parity, but may be won over by taut

Currency parities must be registered with the International Monetary Fund as international relationships for exchange of goods. But as quasi-parities taut pivots are not subject to this strict ruling. Thus currency relationships within the Com-mon Market could be regulated in this way for the time being. The floating of the Mark could then be discontinued, at least in its relationship with other EEC

The time is not unfavourable for Europe to take the lead. There are indications that the United States is striving towards a total bilateral arrangement with Japan. This would be based on a

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Common Market differences

The Common Market is not so or mon when it comes to the price of the same consumer goods in the differ countries of the EEC, according to report issued by the Bonn EEC flux. based on figures gathered by the f statistics office. place of a famous company that is a stive all over the world: Schering,

Europeans who shop around can the following bargains:

aganisation which today has a turn-* Cheaper spirits in Belgium, and more than one milliard Marks and Cheaper beef and fish in the New set of the largest companies in the

* Cheaper wine in France and Italy, October this year it celebrated one * Cheaper clothing and shoes in the ded years of success.

* And for leisure and pleasure or

etherlands;
* Live in Italy and if you want to be firm's founder Ernst Schering was

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West Germany and buy yourself and vision set, a camera, and a tape recond etc. According to the EEC statistiched Continued from page 10 visit to the doctor by people who c

insured with a social welfare policy and revaluation of the yen in be three times as expensive in the February for making the Japanese exempt Republic as in France.

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NDUSTRY

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Rudolf Herit (Die Welt, 25 October 1971)

chemist's shop was the starting a bit during his days of apprenticeship, as was the accepted custom of the day. But he was still a young man when he settled down in Berlin and bought a chemist's shop in 1851.

Schering chemicals celebrates one

hundred years of success

By 1855 - 116 years ago - the small chemist's laboratory had been turned into a factory for producing chemical and pharmaceutical preparations.

Ernst Schering had set himself the task of preparing chemicals of the utmost purity particularly for pharmaceutical purposes and for use in photography.

The young man was successful. Business expanded rapidly and in order to make the company suitable to operate on such a large scale it was made into a joint-stock company in 1871.

As long as one hundred years ago Ernst Schering was pursuing an aim in his business that was by no means a foregone conclusion in those days - he was trying to win markets outside Germany.

In the year before the company became a joint-stock campany, 1870, Schering had sales representatives in Amsterdam. Glasgow, Copenhagen, St Petersburg and Moscow. In the early 1870's Schering's chemical products were sent from Berlin all over the world.

In 1876 Schering took part in the World Exhibition in Philadelphia with great success. In the same year the firm Schering & Clatz started business in New

In 1905 the first foreign subsidiary, the Schering Chemicals Factory AG in Rus- (about 7,000 of them abroad) and 55 per sia, was acquired, operating a charcoal

production plant in Wydriza (White Russia) and a chemicals and pharmaceuticals factory in Moscow.

In the years leading up to the First World War Schering developed into a worldwide company with more than thirty foreign subsidiaries and associated companies apart from the six factories in the Federal Republic.

But this large-scale activity on foreign soil brought the company major losses after both world wars including patents, licences and trade marks.

Losses following the Second World War were particularly heavy. All the business interests in East Germany, the East Berlin factories, all patents and trade marks were gone for good.

All that remained of Schering were the destroyed and dismantled factories in the Wedding and Charlottenburg districts of Berlin. The work of reconstructing the international company began in West Berlin where today there are more than 5,000 people employed in research, production, management and administration.

Schering has for some time now been back in its place among the world's major chemicals companies. Current turnover of the group is more than one milliard Marks, 16,000 people are employed cent of the products from the factories in

Berlin, Bergkamen, Feucht and Wolfenbuttel are exported to more than 130 countries. In 22 countries Schering have their own factories.

Company policy is now as much as ever to avoid mass-production, but offer instead any number of special products in the spheres of pharmaceuticals, agricul-tural products, industrial chemicals and materials involved in galvanisation.

Schering has scored its greatest successes in hormone research, in which it is today one of the world's leading specialists. In this sphere it has also produced perhaps its most well-known product of

There are fifteen firms in the Federal Republic competing for the market in the Pill. Schering has cornered 55 per cent of the market. The Pill makes up seventeen per cent of the turnover of the joint-stock company and thirteen per cent of the group's turnover.

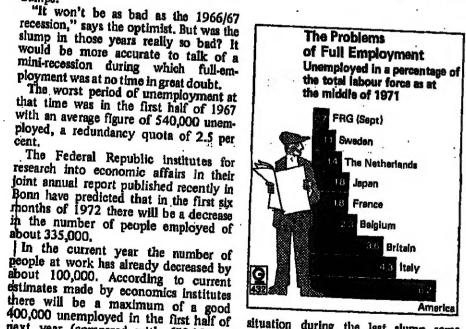
In this jubilee year, too, Schering have been moving in the right direction. In the course of the business year 1971 Schering have been able to boost their turnover by about thirteen per cent. According to a recent statement by Chairman of the Board Karl Otto Mittelstenscheid the growth rate for the whole year should be about eleven per cent.

The company's administration views future prospects with optimism. Despite the major rise in costs in the second half of this year dividends are likely to remain at twenty per cent. However, the bonus of two per cent that was paid last year is not likely to be repeated.

This year the company has invested about 140 million Marks and in 1972 this is likely to rise to 160 million. The foreign market has taken on a greater degree of importance for Schering than the domestic market. In 1970 the proportion of exports was about 56 per cent. Gert Goebel

(Hannoversche Allgemeine, 23 October 1971)

Slump risk is greater now than in 1966-1967



situation during the last slump some interesting conclusions can be reached. In next year (compared with 675,000 in 1967) and a monthly average of 335,000 September 1966 there were only 6,000 people working reduced hours in the Federal Republic. That is far fewer than In recent weeks there have been a number of reports of increasing shorttime working. The gist of almost all
comments was: compared with the figure
df 350,000 on short-time during the last

occurred to 240,000 and the next month recession the present figure of 39,000 the figure was almost 350,000. In this light; talk of "harmless short-time figures" But looking back to the short-time is not particularly convincing.

The economics institutes view the decline in capital investment as the core of the tendency towards depression. Ifo (Munich) in its latest situation report notes a rapid decline in the tendency towards investment.

Ludwig Poullain, President of the Savings and Giro Banks Association said in a recent television interview that there was a "decidedly miserable atmosphere" affecting the economy and pointed out that the profits situation in West German industry at present is far worse than the general public assumed.

"Even famous and well managed companies are plagued with figures in the

This deterioration in profit margins and demand at the time of a worldwide economic cooling process put a brake on investment activities.

In addition there is the uncertainty surrounding the future development of the export economy at this time of currency upheavals. The most recent data available for the number of export orders coming in for West German products, covering the month of September, show the first reactions to the rapidly worsening degree of competitiveness of our industry.

In the motor industry, too, which up till now has been one of the most

important pillars supporting the nomy, there are signs of major and changes. Business is already slack in van and lorry sector.

as much if you slip across to France.

The French come off best all halls

the food stakes. General medical ap

are on the average best in Holland, the

the Italians enjoy the cheapest house utensils and the Federal Republic this

bargains in leisure articles. (Neue Hannoversche Presse, 20 October

of glasses as a Belgian.

our other countries.

Prevention of a recession is the mediate short-term aim of econo policies, as the economics institutes set With the exception of the Essen Land which does not yet consider that the is ripe for a protective relaxation dis economic brakes, the majority of entity are all in favour of a repayment of the surcharge imposed temporarily by his fessor Schiller and for greater government spending on building projects. This has already been introduced by government

With the economic situation in present unstable state both at home abroad prognoses tend to verge of being pure prophecies. On the other had a does not have to be a clairword recognise the considerable risks in the in a protraction of the sympions dissoution in international current change and the radical self-help mean by several countries which are not short now of all-out trade warfare.

If at the time of the conference world banks in Washington in end of the conference world banks in Washington in end of the conference was still some hope that this dangerous state of limbo could be overcome in the near future this had diminished as the fronts have hardened Comparing the present situation who that which led to the slump in 1966 we must come to the sober conclusion that the chapters of economic depression.

that the chances of economic depress arising are greater now than they we

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AUTOMOBILES

Stuttgart international conference discusses car safety

t a recent four-day conference in A Stuttgart government spokesmen and representatives of the motor industry from all over the world debated ways and means of meeting the safety requirements for motor vehicles resulting from US

To judge by the tenor of debate in Stuttgart, though, the prospects of a safety car capable of ensuring the survival of occupants in a head-on collision at fifty miles an hour are still fairly distant. Even so, a gratifying amount of pro-gress has been made since the publication

BMW opens 20 km proving ground

Speichersce proving ground, Munich, has just been officially opened by Bayerische Motoren-Werke (BMW). Over a period of three years some twenty kilometres (twelve and a half miles) of road have been built and 1.1 million cubic metres (1,430,000 cubic yards) of

This proving ground for motor vehicles is one of the most up-do-date in the untroducing the most far-reaching specifi-world, involving a high degree of simulation and electronic measurement. The key features of the proving facilities are the high-speed measurement track, the handling course, the turntable and the

The high-speed track is five miles long and built in autobahn fashton. It consists of two straights of a little over and a little under two miles respectively and two bends with a radius of 110 and 138 metres and a one in fourteen camber.

Steep banking has been deliberately avoided since it next to never occurs in practice and the straights enable maximum speeds to be driven out of the test

The two-mile labyrinth of the handling course in contrast contains everything from a ramp jump to a hairpin bend and calls for the utmost in driving skill and

The nerve centre of the entire ground is even more unusual, extending 56 kilometres of electric cable in cobweb fashion from one end of the site to the other. Miles of aerials and controls, nine light barriers and thousands of contacts lay the groundwork for a closely-intermeshed network of electronic data collection and

The noise created is so effectively abated by the Speichersee dam and the soundproofing facilities erected on the opposite side of the ground that it does claiming to be investing some fifty mil-not even worry birds in the neighbouring lion Marks in their respective models. nature reserve. (Frankfurter Rundschau, 30 October 1971)

Synthetic studs for tyres

A fter a year and two months of research and development Busch-Jaeger of Lüdenscheid are shortly to market plastic spikes, studded tyres with studs of synthetic material.

Their roadholding is good, they are quiet and do less damage to road surfaces than conventional spikes, the manufacturers claim, and ought to be available this winter.

The steel spikes are coated with polya-

(Frankfurter Alfgemeine Zeitung für Deutschland, 27 October 1971)



"Unsafe at any Speed."
The only really regrettable aspect is that dithering between one extreme and the other, a characteristic typical of Americans these days, has resulted in mandatory specifications for the forth-coming decade being difficult for manufacturers to meet on the one hand and likely on the other to toll the death knell of small and medium-sized family sa-

The probable upshot will be the intro-duction of considerably more expensive, bulkier and more powerful armour-plated

The idea behind the Stuttgart conference, the second of its kind, was primarily to compare notes on work in progress on the development of safety cars and secondly to standardise safety regulations to be introduced by the

America has taken the lead and is most badly in need of greater vehicle

The road death toll in the United States may not be appreciably higher than in Europe but this is attributed to road discipline enforced with the aid of stiff penalties and speed limits of between 65

The Ministry of Transport and the motor industry in this country were the first to make common cause with the Americans in developing a safety car. For this too there is a sound reason, most Federal Republic export models crossing the Atlantic.

The importance of car exports to the United States is the reason why Japan too is most interested in the latest safety developments, France and Britain, on the other hand, appearing to be less interested in cooperation.

Thus it was that at the Stuttgart conference Ford and General Motors of the United States, Volkswagen and Dalmler-Benz as this country's major manufacturers and possibly Opel, a GM subsidiary, seemed to be the only manufacturers likely to produce a safety model complying with the various specifications within the foreseeable future.

Safety research and development pro grammes are an expensive business, Volkswagen and Daimler-Benz both

US specifications are nonetheless subject to attack not only from France and

Britain but also from this country, which in the circumstances indicate that the US government has been a little too hasty in calling for 100per-cent safety before even carrying analysis of available accident statistics. A better way of im-Toms, the US government official respecifications,

would be ments to existing models. Mention of the name of Toms is like showing a red rag to a bull as far as car designers all over the world are concerned; which is not, of course, to say

that they object in principle to better bumpers, concertina zones, tougher and more crash-resistant side panelling, fool-proof safety belts and the like, antiblocking systems, better brakes and im-

There was hard dealing at Stuttgart between US government representatives and development directors of domestic motor manufacturers in respect of the timetable according to which the various safety specifications under discussion are to be made mandatory.

Mr Toms reckons he will be able to supply definite safety specifications for a new generation of motor vehicles by 1973 or 1974. After two years of trials safety cars ought then to run off the assembly lines in 1977 or 1978.

Professor Fiala of Volkswagen, one of this country's leading lights in automotive safety engineering, feels this timetable to

It takes three to four years for a conventional new model to pass through the various stages of development, Dr Fiala noted. Safety models involve so much virgin territory in respect of both engineering and design, he maintained, that an even longer interim period ought

The debate made it clear how important it is not merely to embark on Utopian programmes but to subject each and every detail to cost-benefit analysis and to process the resulting data as it is at present undergoing trials.

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The final day of the conference, le ever, did show that the Americans after all, prepared to make concession a number of minor points in order to more leeway for a genuine intensite agreement by the end of the decade.

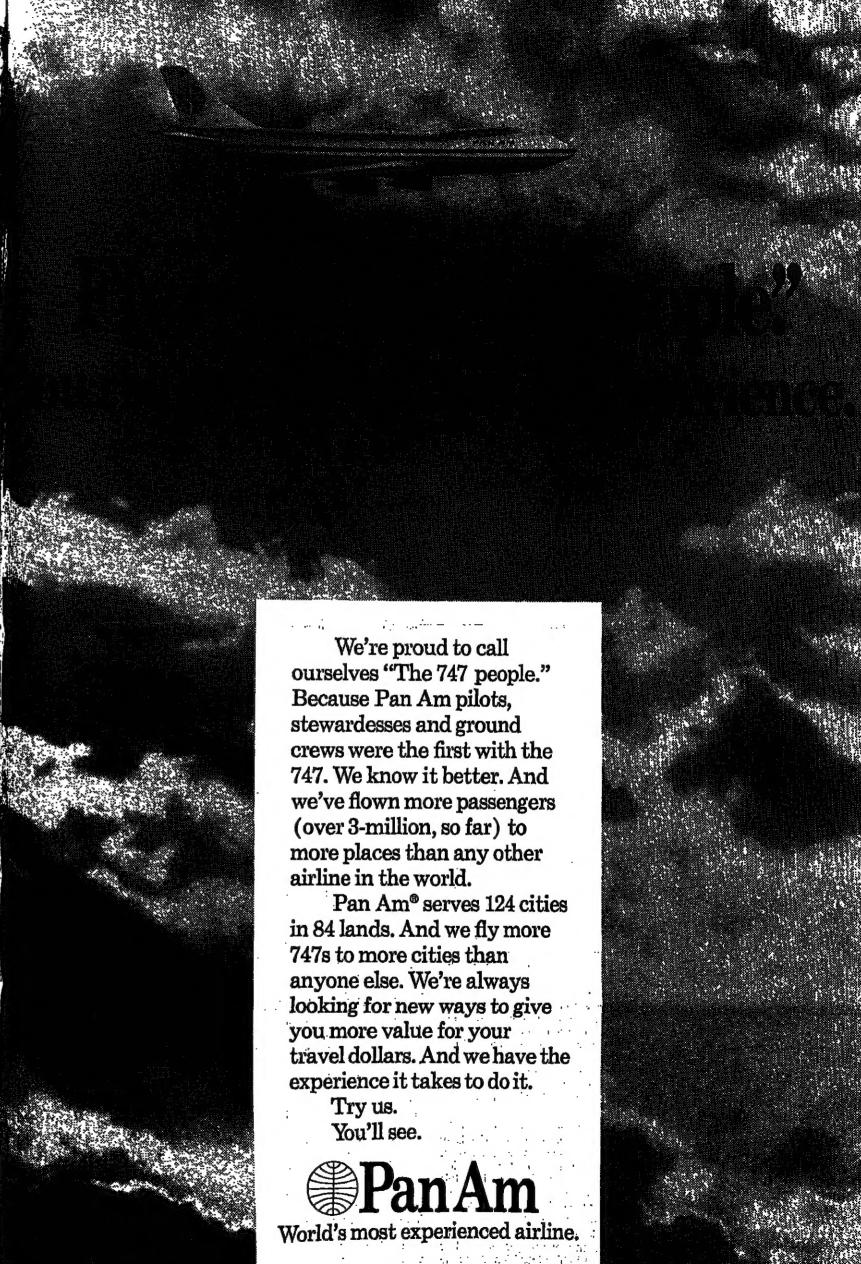
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Ministers of Transport Volpe d United States and Leber of this cost both noted that sufer cars are of cost desirable but must not be so exper that only the rich can afford 0 Perhaps this point was not without of on the course of debate.

Bearing in mind that according to 0 speculalists the smallest of safety me will cost at least as much as the cu Opel Commodore if it is to include all projected specifications these works warning from the two Ministers of Tra port would undoubtedly seem to

engaged in developing a 'safety comply with both U.S. and West Gen regulations. The Daimler-Benz pro (above) is largely modelled on the discovery of the largely modelled on the discovery of the largely of the lar model (bottom right) the chassis of





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The problems of the religious press in our secular society

THE GERMAN TRIBUNE

Conomic difficulties and the disrarely attracted so much public interest and so much commitment as in the case of the Catholic weekly Publik. This interest is not entirely due to the fact that the weekly was one of the best appearing in West Germany. The case of Publik is almost a comment of the credibility of the Catholic Church in our society post the Vatican Council.

For Catholics and the "progressives" Alongside local Church publications, the disappearance of Publik has destroyed which emphasise basically internal their hopes in the Church's desire to proclaim the good word without appearing to exist within a ghetto or without insisting on its own power.

The question revolves round the decisions that have to be taken by the West German Bishops Association on 15 November concerning the role that the Catholic press must play in society and what importance the Church places in daily or weekly Catholic publication of any consequence. Katholische Nachrich-

Since the ending of World War II the development of the religous press has been different among Catholics and Protestants. Since the beginning the Protestant press has tried to develop a style, based on its Christian responsibilities, that makes its views clearly heard in the world at large. The Protestant Church has spent a lot of money on public relations, on equipping press services and in aiding young journalists to make their way.

Church affairs, the Protestants have weekly publications presenting varying politi-cal standpoints — Christ und Welt, now called Deutsche Zeitung, and Deutsches Allgemeines Sonntagsblatt. These exercise a considerable influence in the Federal Republic for their informative value.

Until 1968 the Catholic press had no tenagentur, the Catholic news agency, has

Youngsters' interest in radio revived

Television is not so nice as playing in them in fact, which means they show I the open air, but twice as nice as listening to the radio, according to the results of a really extensive survey, looked at in a simple light. The survey was commissioned by Westdeutscher Rundfunk, carried out by the Infratest Institute and conducted among children in North Rhine-Westphalia.

Nevertheless, listening to the radio, which was what concerned WDR mainly in ordering this survey, was seventh most popular pursuit among the six to thirteen

In the thirteen to nineteen age group the radio was the most popular pastime of all. For them television can only command seventh place.

In the younger age group where TV is the top attraction after playing outdoors the other main leisure-time pursuits are reading, playing sports, playing indoors and visiting friends.

For the teenagers the popularity list reads: visiting friends, playing sports, reading, listening to records and going to audiences that the industry is looking at itself with critical eyes. For the fourth

During the first six months of this year the survey team interviewed 1,243 children and 792 teenagers, asking them about their attitude to the radio, the way they used it and their opinion of the programmes specially meant for them,

Even WDR was surprised at the results. In general it could be said that since 1968 interest in radio has started to increase again. Especially in the younger age group the more the child in question knew about the radio services and how best to use them the more likely he was to have his own set and hence the more likely he was to have a growing interest and more selective demands from his listening.

The children's favourite programmes almost to death, while banality after banality, kissings and killings pass across teenagers prefer pop and beat music the screen. broadcasts. The youngest age group likes entertainment programmes, children's hour and schools programmes as well as folk music, but the older age group is 400 crimes appear on the television screen. At weekends when people in this keener on German pop songs, foreign pop, chansons and jazz.

Particular favourites among younger listeners are programmes where the audience can take an active part, either by writing in with suggestions, or by sending in manuscripts or by phoning.

greater interest and ambition than the older generation. Their parents, if they

are interested at all, would prefer sending

in a letter to going themselves to the

WDR is trying its utmost to give its younger listeners what they want with its special programmes. Now that this survey. has come up with such encouraging news for the men at broadcasting house they will be weighing up whether they can improve their services with new programme times, re-grouping and technical alterations at their headquarters in Cologne.

Tomorrow's television - the end of

monopoly thinking" is the slogan

senior television executives are using to

bring home to West German television

time running these people are kidding

themselves; once more many weighty

words are being mouthed but real criti-

There is an urgent need for programme

producers to be given greater responsibi-lity. Television's role in our society has

become too important, what goes on on

the screen has become so decisive for the

physical and psychological makeup of

Recently 800 doctors spoke of a new

but rapidly spreading disease, tellyitis,

which is a threat to people in the Federal

Republic at an increasing rate. Every

evening people gather round the 'box' grab a hard drink, boozing themselves

According to Herr Stefen, head of the

Federal agency controlling material likely

to corrupt the young, week after week

country spend their spare time in front of

the television set they watch shootings,

Experts in America beleive that very

punch-ups and stranglings.

cism does not come into it.

Ingrid Uche (Neue Ruhr Zeitung, 21 October 1971) press agency and the official press service of the Church. Nothing has been done to recruit young Catholic journalists.

The Catholic press is made up and was made up, in the main, of 22 publications published by the Church. Thanks to their facilities and to their minimum personnel, these papers earned money for the Church but they were of no particular importance jounalistically.

The publications have never been able to assume the position that the Church in West Germany wanted to assign to them, not to be just a means of disseminating official Church ideas but to be a forum for public discussion of important international problems.

Publik, the Catholic weekly revue, first appeared in September 1968 after considerable preparation. Its aims were to encourage discussion between the various groups within the Catholic Church as well as to initiate a dialogue between the Church and society as a whole.

The ultimate development and difficulties that the publication encountered are well known. The attempt to merge with the Rhelnische Merkur, a vain hope from the political as well as the economic point of view, turned into a fiasco, Bankruptcy is on the cards.

The Protestant Church equally has difficulties to overcome. Deutsches Allgemeines Sonntagsblatt, circulation 110,000 copies, recently merged with Junge Stimma, circulation 30,000, has to be subsidised by the Church to enable it to carry on. Christ und Welt's recent attempt to "devour" Sountagsblatt was repulsed by the Protestant Church.

Experts see the merger of Sonntagsblatt and Publik as one of the most reasonable solutions of the problem. Protestant

TV has much

to answer for

in our society

18,000 people. There is little doubt about

the admonitions of his parents, school

and Church without contradiction that

beings are inviolable.

Sonntagsblatt, progressive and with open mind as regards occumenicism, with a position a little to the left of center lay pigeon marksmen must corresponds very closely to the Cathellar lay pigeon marksmen must

Such a merger, envisaging an event separate theological group, would be welcomed by the editorial boards of the separate theological boards of the separate theological group, would be rain as hard as other athletes papers. The main question is if the leaders are prepared for such occurs risked world record, one of the two clam, if they are prepared to finance inds of clay pigeon shooting, can be single, independent Christian voice. It is equally a question if a paper that of the Soviet Union set up a non makes no concessions to its readers and that of world records: 200 out of based fundamentally on its religious.

based fundamentally on its religious to makes no confessions to its religious to mitment, bringing Christians together intereserved with his predecessor as world record-holder, and not the two confessions and Wimhier, a Pfarrkirchen gundevoloping a dialogue with society, was brighted supreme for six years with

be able to do so without subsidies. Figures downed out of a total of two In other words Church leaders to an in other words. concerned with the merger and its is heare medal-winner at Mexico City blems and with questions of subsidered, Wimhier reckons that "Anyone

Stiddeutsche Leitung and Olympic medal at the stands of winning and Olympic medal at the but adds that "There are a fair the of top-flight marksmen, though, it year's European championships and of 200 was only good enough for

must first ask themselves if it is essent inher still has trouble with an injury to discuss matters with the world at he like the arm but hopes to return to his

If the Church considers this redund is a limit for next year's Olympics. then the Church must refuse to support from this country are Walter financially weak or not. financially weak or not.

On the other hand if the Charles between their prosperity — the Church must also lits aid on financial considerations with line of the D, that is. On either alone.

At the Catholic Academy in Music clay pigeons at the marksman's the Protestant theologian Heinz Zhat mand along a 200-foot trajectory. defined the situation as follows: "It is two trajectories meet at a point well as Protestants how seriously the first lates a pot shot at 25 clay pigeons the concept of liberty proclaimed to be reachtand — two hundred in all. world by Jesus Christ. It is necessit to other version of clay pigeon shootworld by Jesus Christ. It is necessary to other version of clay pigeon snoot-ask if they are willing to pay millicals at called trap and bears a greater this liberty that Christ spoke of all scaled trap and bears a greater know if they are willing to subsidise and do not fly past a stone's throw unfettered by controls and devoted to an an angle of and Christian endeavour to interpret the cast who is can be taken at each one. of our times to the world at large."

Hannes Burgs

Land a half inches in diameter and an

(Suddoutsche Zeitung, 22 Octobe im a thick. They weigh 100 grammes, a

others who are concerned with police wons this year. They are Karl stability give up in despair. If television Underberg of Rheinberg, Dr looks into the next century it will

state of affairs to no small extent, it how far the child of this age - in came about. Television pillories announcer siderably the increasing isolation of an although the increasing isolation of an announcer Germany as well where the picture is scarcely any different - is able to tolerate

the life and property of fellow human Of course television, like other media of mass communication, cannot pass by themes of crime and brutality. It essential to point out anew the special

offects of the television screen. The pictures of the shooting at the Munich bank robbery showed clearly the realities of the horror of it all as opposed forces of men are illuminated, when lawmen are portrayed either as idiots or

Viewers, despite their complaints about poor programmes, are incapable of switching off the fascinating picture, because the contradictions of what is offered by the television service undermine their natural critical faculties. Viewers are offered in the name of entertainment series where

clichés and trite dialogue are rife. young children spend 64 per cent of their waking day watching television. When the wild. Almost without exception social More children would like to go to the broadcasting house if invited, 600,000 of witnessed the brutal murdering of about to make Nobel Peace Prize winners and

that total dictatorship over citizens to the head of t have come about. Television would be responsible form appointed official

siderably the increasing isolation of malificular distributions it is party to this vicious cities although it is party to this vicious cities and the material distribution of modern life made more comformation of modern life made more comformation in through technology, would be able to the made with each other, because otherwise life without the flictular and many announcer before Olympic otherwise life without the flictular and property announcer before Olympic screen would be unbearable.

The flight of many young people also a making a name for the job. The test against everything in society is passed and screen actor is the madness of drug-addiction and property announcer before olympic which television has some responsibility and TV Fuchsberger was a newscaster which television does have something the madients.

value to offer, usually it goes to existing making up for lost time with a spate programmes dealing with art and intelled tual matters, which do not attract average viewer and in fact repulse him her so that once more the light enter tainment with all its kitschy attitudes

If the gap between programmes of intellectual content and programmes far out intellectual content cannot bridged then a society will develop for that of the one-time nation of "thinks" and poets" to a people who are addicted

Hans Tross to the comic strip. (Münchner Merkur, 26 October 1971)

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Ludwig Roselius of Bremen, Heinz Leidinger of Reutlingen, Peter Blecher of Hagen and Albrecht zu Ottingen, who started shooting only a couple of years ngo and won the junior championship title at the first attempt.

These, then, are this country's two teams and candidates for Olympic honours though of course there may well be changes between now and next spring.

In skeet the most serious competition comes from the Soviet Union and the GDR. In trap the opponents are Italy (Mattarelli of Italy holds the Olympic and world record of 198 points), France and the GDR. The United States also ranks among the world's best.

In all these countries with the exception of the Federal Republic the topflight marksmen are, with few exceptions, national amateurs, for the most part serving members of the armed forces.

As a result youngsters not unnaturally have training facilities at their disposal that are the envy of many a marksman in this country. Leading Soviet clay-pigeon specialists frequently polish off 30,000 pigeons a year in training whereas this country's six hundred or so clay pigeons shots seldom manage more than four or five thousand.

Really promising marksmen are invariably given assistance of some kind or another in this country, though. Thereare patrons even among the marksmen

Karl Hubertus Underberg, for instance, holds an unnual Underberg grand prix in Wiesbaden with prizes worth more than 20,000 Marks.

Next year's Olympic competitions will be held over periods of three days, from 27 to 29 August for trap and from 31 August to 2 September for skeet. The venue will be the most up-to-date clay pigeon range in the world in Hochbrück. near Garching, a Munich suburb four miles north of the Olympic stadium, village and other facilities.

Wolfgang Kleibömer of Hamburg, the head of the team of architects responsible for the range, so came to like life in the south during construction work that he moved to Munich and now only has an office in Hamburg.

The range will have cost twenty million Marks, 2.5 million of which are to be invested in soundproofing. At the topping-out ceremony statisticians worked out that the site had taken 311 days and 95,000 working hours to rough out.

It comprises 113 lanes, including three skeet and trap facilities. Four thousand spectators can watch up to six hundred marksmen and hear up to 80,000 shots. In the stand alone there are 800 seats and standing accommodation for 1,200 spec-

Fifty rest rooms will be at the disposal of Olympic marksmen and represent an investment in the post-Olympic future of the facilities. They could form the basis of a training centre.

Marksmen can start training a fortnight beforehand, a stock of 120,000 pigeons having been laid in for this purpose.

They bring their own rifles, of course, specially designed for the most part. Konrad Wirnhier, for instance, makes special rifles for himself and a good many other top-flight marksmen from all over the world.

Belgian rifles are also much in demand. They can be either single or double-barrel. Rifles cost about 2,000 Marks, with extras anything up to 5,000.

Pigeon-shooting used to be a sport for the privileged classes, using not flying saucers of clay but live wild pigeons specially caught for the event.

Ernest Hemingway, for instance, was enthusiastic about the "real" thing and clay pigeon shooting still retains an aura

Enthusiasts who want to do the job properly, do the round of tournaments. get in the necessary training and keep up the necessary contacts can reckon on spending some 15,000 Marks a year on their sport.

Shot alone cost fifty pfennigs each, but, so people who should know are quick to add, there are always ways and means for really talented youngsters.

Once they have made their choice they must stick to their guns, though. It takes an estimated two years of training to get to the top. Trainees have to lead a life similar to that led by other top-flight athletes, too. They must not overest and have to

keep fit. Oddly enough, or so an outsider might think, the disciplines recommended include cross-country running, weightlifting and table tennis. Talent is essential but on its own not

enough. The time it takes for the sighting to-reach the brain and the command to be transmitted to the trigger finger must be reduced to an absolute minimum.

A top-flight skeet or trap marksman must shoot on sight, as it were. It takes training and any amount of drill. He has to do in practice what the Western hero



Baron Carl Anton von Langen in action (Photo: Otto Metelmann)

does by way of make believe on the silver screen - and more.

Baron Carl Anton von Langen is a distinguished marksman if ever there was one. He began, as it were, as an equestrian Olympic medallist in 1928, went on to motor and bob sleigh racing and was later for many years one of this country's best clay pigeon shots. His current speciality is shooting at a running wild boar, a discipline that, together with archery will be a newcomer to the Olympic Games at Munich next year.

Baron von Langen has this to say about that little extra that is needed to make a really first-class marksmen. "To be a good marksman you need to be cool, calm and collected and that you can only be when you have no professional or private worries, when, in short, you are a happy Günter Schlichting

(Welt am Sonntag, 24 October 1971)

Sports medicine specialists list demands for improved conditions

At a congress in Würzburg specialists in sports medicine have tabled specific demands in order to "carry out their work in the service and to the good of sport in a responsible manner."

They call for: -1. Facilities to enable competitive athletes in all Federal states to undergo thorough medical checks twice a year in respect of both general health and peak performance

2. Facilities to enable all sportsmen to undergo regular medical checks carried out as a preventive measure by local practitioners in sports medicine. 3. Special professional training for sports medics.

4. The establishment of chairs of sports medicine at all universities and medical colleges for training and research

At Würzburg Professor Friedrich Unterharnscheidt, a Texan neurologist, issued an eloquent warning against boxing. Simulated blows in laboratory tests using animals had resulted in permanent damage including shrinking of the cere-bellum, cerebral bleeding and dead brain

Boxing, he warned, was a dangerous sport and by no means the noble art of self-defence, not even amateur boxing. Even though the laboratory animals reacted normally after a knockout brain damage was sustained. .

In a paper on the same subject Pro-fessor Sellier of Bonn noted that in terms of biomechanics a full-strength blow to the head was equal in weight to half a Volkswagen.

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